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23 August 1971

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Research and Development

SUBJECT: Meeting with TSD Program Managers

REFERENCES: ORD 5119-71 and ORD 5136-71

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on 18 August 1971 to discuss the Behavioral Activities priority requirement stated in the TSD memorandum of 15 June 1971. The requirement focuses on the feasibility of using voice analysis technology as an indirect assessment tool.

2. TSD was particularly interested in measures that could be achieved through automation that might be correlated with [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] In this regard the BAB research strategy very closely parallels that used in [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] felt that the foreign literature may prove to be a worthwhile source of information because European clinical psychiatry and psychology traditionally has placed more credence on these types of measures than is found in the United States.

3. It was agreed that:

A. Both An/ORD and MBSD/ORD would examine the literature, foreign and U. S., to assess how much progress has been made in the use of voice as an indirect personality index. Some OSI support may be needed. This step should help in sizing the problem and better judging what realistic expectations can be held.

B. MBSD [REDACTED] would continue providing taped interviews to BAB along with [REDACTED] (are derived). These data can be used for studies to be conducted by An/ORD. The [REDACTED] will be reviewed by BAB and MBSD in a few weeks and the results of that meeting will be documented separately.

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C. MBSD will provide BAB/TSD and An/ORD with the results of the [ ] on the feasibility of using voice as an assessment index. [ ] is doing this as part of the [ ] effort and will not be attempting to advance voice analysis technology.

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4. In addition to the above, [ ] discussed other MBSD projects in which BAB has expressed interest but which do not fall under the rubric of the TSD stated priority. These were: 1) Assessment Validation [ ] 2) Psychobiology of Monotony [ ] and 3) Deception as a Strategy (to be determined).

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